

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In accordance with the present invention there is provided a sealing arrangement for sealing a leakage gap between at least two relatively moveable parts which are adjacent to each other in a flow path between a region of high fluid pressure and a region of low fluid pressure, at least one groove being provided along each adjacent face of the relatively moveable parts, wherein the sealing arrangement further comprises at least two resilient sealing strips, each strip having a portion formed along at least part of its width to locate in the at least one groove, the remaining portion of each of the at least two sealing strips having a substantially flat surface, the at least two sealing strips being configured such that in operation their substantially flat surfaces abut each other ~~other~~ and the pressure difference between the high pressure region and the low pressure region cause the flat surfaces to be forced together.

Please add the following new paragraphs after the paragraph ending on line 22 of page 2:

Figure 1 shows part of a turbine vane assembly incorporating a sealing arrangement in accordance with the present invention in which a substantially cylindrical pressure vessel is formed by the sealing between the stator vanes;

Figure 2 shows part of a turbine vane assembly incorporating a sealing arrangement in accordance with the presentation in which a substantially frusto-conical pressure vessel is formed by the sealing between the stator vanes;

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~Figure 1~~ Figure 3 illustrates part of a stator vane assembly incorporating a sealing arrangement in accordance with the present invention;

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~Figure 2~~ Figure 4 shows an enlarged view of one embodiment of a sealing strip for use in a stator vane assembly incorporating a sealing ~~arrangement, and;~~ arrangement;

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~Figure 3~~ Figure 5 shows an enlarged cross sectional view of part of the stator vane assembly shown in ~~Figure 1~~ Figure 3; and

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

~~Figure 4~~ Figure 6 shows a cross sectional view of part of a stator vane platform comprising an alternative embodiment of the sealing arrangement in accordance with the present invention.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 8, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The ~~stator vane assembly 10~~ presented in ~~Figure 1~~ Figure 1, Figure 2 and Figure 3 forms part of a conventional gas turbine engine well known in the art and will not be described in this specification beyond that necessary to gain an understanding of the invention. Figure 1 shows a region of a turbine assembly where a substantially cylindrical pressure vessel is formed by the sealing between stator vanes 12. Figure 2 shows a region of a turbine assembly where a substantially frusto-conical pressure vessel is formed by the sealing between stator vanes 12.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The ~~stator~~-vane assembly 10 comprises an annular array of stator vanes 12, each of which is formed with a platform 14 which is located on the engine (~~not shown~~) by any suitable means. A groove 16 is formed into the face 18 of each platform 14 which is adjacent to a circumferentially adjoining platform 14. Each of the grooves 16 is aligned substantially in the axial direction of the engine shown at "A". A sealing strip 20 is located in each of the grooves 16 and is substantially of the same length as the platform 14. The sealing strips 20 are formed such that at least part of their width is shaped to locate in the groove 16, the remaining portion of the sealing strip 20 being substantially flat.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A sealing strip 20 is presented in ~~Figure 2.~~ Figure 4. It comprises a resilient member formed along at least part of its width such that the portion shaped to locate in the groove 16 is arcuate or "C" shaped, hereafter referred to as the formed portion 22. The remaining portion of the sealing strip is substantially flat, hereafter referred to as the flat portion 24.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

An enlarged view of a cross section showing detail of the formed portion 22 of the sealing strips 20 located in the platform grooves 16 is presented in ~~Figure 3.~~ Figure 5. The flat portions 24 of the sealing strips 20 are in communication with each other substantially along their length, although it will be appreciated that the formed portion 22 may be a loose fit in the groove 16 and that adjacent flat portions 24 may be spaced apart when the engine is not in operation.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 16, with the following rewritten paragraph:

It will be appreciated that the formed portion 22 may be any shape which fulfils the same function, such as an "E" or "W" shaped cross-sectional configuration. Such a "W" or "E" shaped portion 26 is shown in ~~figure 4.~~Figure 6.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 19, with the following rewritten paragraph:

It will be appreciated that the sealing strips 20 will also provide an adequate seal if they are aligned substantially at an angle to the axial direction of the pressure vessel ~~vessel~~, as shown in Figure 7.

Please replace the Abstract with the attached amended Abstract.